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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION OF AN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 IN A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2))

Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue. The issue fee was paid on April 2, 2003.

The reason for petitioning for withdrawal from issue of this application is for consideration of relevant prior art which became known to applicant on July 23, 2003 via an Office Action issued in a related patent application.

An Information Disclosure Statement containing this art is being filed under separate cover along with a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a)(1). A copy of the request for continued examination and form PTO-1449 is being transmitted herewith.

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The undersigned hereby authorizes the charge of the fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) in the amount of \$130.00 and any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to be charged to deposit account No. 19-5117.

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